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## Bombing competition showcases wing's best

BY AIRMAN BRANDON KUSEK  
THE BOMBARDIER

Maintainers and flyers of the 2d Bomb Wing found out who was the "best of the best" during BUFF Smoke.

BUFF Smoke was a three day bombing competition between the flying squadrons and maintainers throughout the wing, pitting the 11th, 20th, 96th Bomb squadrons and the 2d Operations Support Squadron against each other.

The 20th BS was named best aircraft maintenance unit while the 2d OSS claimed the best squadron honors.

Planning for the competition began six weeks prior to day one of the competition.

"It was a lot of work but actually really fun," said Maj. Manny Labrado, 2d OSS offensive systems flight commander.

"Our plan on the maintenance side was to just get the planes in the air so they could meet their scheduled time on the ranges," said 1st Lt. Jason Kalman,

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Airman 1st Class Trina Flannagan/2d CS

BUFF Smoke was just another day on the job July 29 for dedicated crew chiefs such as Senior Airman Donald Foster from the 96th Aircraft Maintenance Unit as he checks beneath an open cowling for leaks, worn seals or any obvious defects on the engine components of a B-52 before takeoff.

## 11th Bomb Squadron ready for Global Power mission

BY J. MANNY GUENDULAY  
THE BOMBARDIER

The Mighty Deuce has been flexing its muscles this week as the 11th Bomb Squadron prepares to depart on the first Global Power mission since Sept. 11, 2001.

The 2d Bomb Wing's ability to execute long range bomb runs is essential to the Barksdale mission.

"Global Power missions validate the ability of the Air Force to strike targets rapidly with near precision and precision weapons anywhere on the planet at any time," said Lt. Col. Robert Thomson, 11th Bomb Squadron instructor aircraft commander.

The 20-plus-hour flight, which departs Monday morning and finally lands at Anderson Air Force Base, Guam, will host



two significant firsts for the Global Power missions.

One is this will be the first time both a pre-

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## Food, fun planned at Celebrate Barksdale's annual picnic today

The 2004 Celebrate Barksdale picnic begins at 11 a.m. at the area behind Chapel One and continues until 4 p.m.

Free food and beverages as well as music is available for everyone. Mudbugs and Battle Wings players will be there to greet visitors. Adults can enjoy volleyball, horseshoes, mushroom ball and dunking booths. Moon bounces, sprinklers, face painting and other activities will be available for children.

### Where to park

Parking in the housing area around the picnic field is reserved for residents in an effort to minimize traffic and increase pedestrian safety. Everyone else is encouraged to park at the new enlisted club parking lot or in the lot located at the intersection of Billy Mitchell Drive and Selfridge Avenue and walk to the picnic. Parking will also be available on both sides of Barksdale Boulevard for the duration of the picnic.

# Welcome Maj. Gen. Mike DeCuir, ACC/DO





# Base information's new look

BY COL. MICHAEL MOELLER  
2D BOMB WING COMMANDER

When I first arrived here at Barksdale I told all of you that one of my biggest challenges was to get my vector, base information and the ungarbled word out to every member of the mighty Deuce.

I asked you to help me find better ways to communicate with Team Barksdale. Although I am still working on improving our ability to "get the word out" in a timely fashion, I think we are making great progress towards that goal. The first step was to improve our media products ... the base newspaper, commander's access channel (#12 on base if you've never watched it) and our website. Next, we reinvigorated more traditional methods such as FTAC, Right Start, commanders calls, daily stand-ups and plain-old walking around.

We started with the newspaper by changing the name from the Observer to the Bombardier. Along with its new name we gave the paper a fresh format to make it more in tune with the current mission. We reoriented the paper's focus from emphasizing AF-level issues to emphasizing the home team — our warriors, their families and local events here at Barksdale.

Additionally, if you are reading this vector you know that I rely on the Bombardier as a weekly forum to talk with each of you about critical focus areas, to define where we

are now and to provide guidance on the way ahead.

Next, I asked our multimedia center team to build a new Commander's Access Channel which will go operational next week. It looks awesome and is very similar to the current 24-hour news channels like Fox and CNN. It will offer videos from the Pentagon Channel, weather forecasts, current force protection and information protection conditions and significant events going on in the wing. Next we will incorporate the Giant Voice system into the channel so everyone can hear those critical announcements simultaneously as they appear on channel 12. This was a huge effort, and I thank everyone involved, especially the project leads, 2d Lt. Tony Bean from 2d Communications Squadron and Ms. Sue Lee from 2d Contracting Squadron for making this happen.

Soon we will launch our new base website. This site will complement the Bombardier and the commander's channel by providing easy-to-use links for mission readiness, streaming video and critical information like the weekly stand-up slides. You will find the new format makes it much easier to navigate to links such as the vMPF or accomplish your computer-based training requirements.

Finally, I have reemphasized the



importance of passing critical information face-to-face. I have found that a combination of meetings through the chain at daily stand-ups plus getting commanders and shirts out and about across the wing is the best way to make sure that every level of supervision is passing on the word. I need your feedback on how we are doing, so if you see me during a walk-around please come let me know!

We all know there is nothing more important to an orchestra than being able to see and understand the conductor's signals. In the same way, a formation of B-52s can't accomplish their mission without knowing what the flight lead wants them to do. If you are having trouble seeing, hearing and understanding the information coming from Team Barksdale's senior leaders — please tell me.

I need everybody to be on the same sheet of music or the same flight plan if we are to stay "first in peace, first in war and first to victory!"

Pamphlet 6-2241, Volume 1, Promotion Fitness Examination, military pedestrians must render a salute to vehicles marked with the appropriate insignia. Please be aware that the insignia can be located on the front of the vehicle or up against the inside of the front windshield. In regards to standards of appearance, to present the proper military image, clothing will be neat, clean, pressed, properly fitted, in good condition, zipped, snapped or buttoned. All Air Force members will adhere to standards of neatness, cleanliness, safety and military image to provide the appearance of a disciplined service member when wearing the uniform. Let's take pride in how we present ourselves — it's our job!

**Query:** Recently I've noticed a decline in customs and courtesies, such as proper uniform wear and rendering proper salutes to staff cars with colonel and general plates. I know it's up to all of us to enforce discipline but could you please remind people of the regulations? Thank you, sir!

**Response:** Thank you very much for your question. Customs and courtesies are very important to me and I always take every opportunity to educate people about the regulations. In answer to your question, according to Air Force

## Vision

The 2d Bomb Wing is first ... in peace ... in war ... to victory!

## Mission

Exceptional warriors ready now to provide responsive, flexible and accurate bomber combat power and operational support to warfighting commanders. Anytime, anywhere.

## Vector

Total focus on mission excellence

Work together — take care of each other to build trust and teamwork

Offer opportunities for personal and professional wellness and growth

## Action Line 456-4000

action.line@barksdale.af.mil

The Action Line is an avenue for complaints, suggestions and kudos on services provided at Barksdale. Comments can help make the base a better place.

Although the Action Line is always available for use, the best and fastest way to resolve problems is through the chain of command or the organization involved.

Individuals are encouraged to go that route first. If the problem is still unresolved, call the Action Line and the appropriate base agency will address the problem. Positive feedback about Barksdale is also encouraged. Please leave a name and phone number when calling the Action Line as more information may be needed.



Col. Michael Moeller  
2d Bomb Wing commander

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# Keys to good working relationships

## Common sense fundamentals every Airman should practice

BY LT. COL. JAMES SISSON  
2D COMPTROLLER SQUADRON COMMANDER

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People probably spend more time thinking about their relationship with their supervisor than about any other work-type relationship. After all, a supervisor is the individual who can have a tremendous impact on one's career.

Since every single person at Barksdale has a supervisor, I thought an article about supervisor and subordinate relations would be appropriate.

After spending a few years in the military, I have come to the conclusion there are some very fundamental principles we should all practice. These are common sense, but I don't think a refresher course ever hurts.

### Loyalty

Supervisors will usually forgive carelessness, ignorance, inexperience, etc. —

these can be corrected over time, but disloyalty is a true character flaw. Simply put, if you are found to be disloyal, you cannot and will not be trusted!

### Keep your supervisor informed

Always keep your supervisor informed about what you are doing and where you are on given projects. If you must err, err on the side of overkill. Inform your supervisor with bulletins, memos and FYIs on anything that may be of interest to them. Know their agenda ... it becomes yours!

### Embrace change

Any supervisor must, as part of their job, instigate change. It is not your job to resist. If asked and given the opportunity to express your views (when appropriate), you should do your best to advise your supervisor and let them know your position, but once a decision is made (un-

less you absolutely cannot live with it morally), you should salute smartly and support the decision.

### Do not present a problem without recommending a solution

If you are looking for problems, you can surely find them ... they are everywhere. Once you identify a problem or concern, research it, identify options and then make a solid recommendation addressing the pros and cons to your supervisor.

### Take care of your supervisor ... his or her problems are your problems

It is your responsibility to get along with your supervisor, not the other way around. Communication is key to keeping supervisors informed and avoiding surprises. Bad news does not get better over time! Hit it early and face-to-face if possible. It is much better for your supervisor to hear it from you than from some other source. And they will hear about it!

### Look for the veiled command

Like most people, you probably have

the good sense to obey a direct command. If your supervisor says "Jump," you probably jump. But the best supervisors are not like that. They want subordinates to think for themselves and therefore they don't give too many explicit orders. They simply imply their wishes — such as when a supervisor suggests a course of action but says the decision is up to you.

The veiled command comes in many forms but it's usually a variation of, "I think you should pursue this project, but you decide."

The problem with this implied command, of course, is that it is often times ambiguous to everyone but the supervisor. Many times subordinates hear only what they want to hear — and that is often the wrong half of the message. So be alert!

Again, these principles are simple and common sense, but we are often so busy we overlook the obvious. Hopefully applying these basic principles will improve relations between you and your supervisor and thus enhance the 2d Bomb Wing spirit!





U.S. Air Force photo by Tech Sgt. Regina Baker

**Don't sweat it:** Airmen 1st Class Jeffrey Marschel Jr., 379th Expeditionary Civil Engineer Squadron, uses a forklift to move a box of communications equipment at a forward deployed location. Airmen Marschel is deployed from the 2d Civil Engineer Squadron.

# 8th AF Sijan nominees

J. MANNY GUENDULAY

THE BOMBARDIER

Air Combat Command now has the 8th Air Force nominees for the 2004 Air Force Lance P. Sijan Award.

The Lance P. Sijan Leadership Award recognizes officers and enlisted members who have demonstrated the highest qualities of leadership.

Lt. Col. Patricia Hoffman of the 608th Combat Operations Squadron received the senior officer nomination. The junior officer nomination went to Capt. Tracy West of the 712th Air Support Operations Squadron. Master Sgt. William Miller, 608th Air Intelligence Squadron, received the senior enlisted nomination. The junior enlisted level nominee is Tech. Sgt. Michael Gibson of the 608th Air Communications Squadron.

Colonel Hoffman was honored to be nominated for her leadership skills.

"I was honored and humbled when I found out I was nominated at this level," the colonel said. "Just to be mentioned in the same sentence as Lance Sijan — whose courage and sacrifice are symbolized in this leadership award — is an honor."

Lt. Col. Mike Coon, 712th ASOS director of operations, describes Captain West's work as superb.

"We nominated Captain West for the Sijan award because of his absolutely superior leadership and performance both in garrison and in our combat deployment to Iraq," Colonel Coon said. "He led and motivated his team of Airmen to build

and maintain an unprecedented communications and support package that was the critical piece to the Air Support Operations Center in Iraq. They overcame regular power failures, extreme heat, and frequent mortar and rocket attacks."

Master Sgt. Artie Sanders, 608th ACOMS superintendent of combined air operations center systems, knows Sergeant Gibson is a good fit for the nomination.

"The Lance P. Sijan Award represents strong leadership characteristics and unyielding determination to accomplish tasks with all odds against you," the sergeant said. "Sergeant Gibson has demonstrated these qualities in the past year during two deployments supporting the air war planners with the largest fielded command and control system during OEF and OIF. He has tremendously excelled in positions normally held by senior NCOs. Last but not least, he is very mission oriented and focused to accomplish complex tasks on multi-million dollar communication platforms."

The award, first given in 1981, is named in honor of the first Air Force Academy graduate to receive the Medal of Honor. Sijan was shot down over Vietnam on Nov. 9, 1967, and successfully evaded capture for 45 days despite severe injuries. He later died while in a Vietnamese prisoner-of-war camp. Sijan was presented the Medal of Honor posthumously for his heroism.

The final four award winners selected at Air Force level are presented their award at the Pentagon by the Chief of Staff of the Air Force in December.

## 2d Bomb Wing leadership recognize BUFF Smoke winners

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2d Maintenance Squadron quality control.

The sorties were five hours long with the flight plan taking the jets north to Kansas, south into Oklahoma and back home. There were 31 competitive sorties during the three days.

"I was really pleased that we had launched the aircraft and missed no sorties due to maintenance problems," Major Labrado said.

Although the crews were up to the challenge, Mother Nature was not. Weather conditions prohibited dropping munitions during days one and two.

"I controlled a lot of things during the competition, but not the weather," Major Labrado said jokingly.

The aircrews were scored on takeoffs, landings, bomb impact accuracy, navigational skills and electronic countermeasures.

The 2d MXS is divided into many diverse shops and could not have one set criteria for scoring; grading was left up to the individual shops.

"Over 20 maintenance functional areas came together for BUFF Smoke, from munitions bomb builders who were rated by speed and accuracy of their builds, to the flightline crew chiefs who were rated on several areas to include forms documentation accuracy and over-

all jet condition," Lieutenant Kalman said. "Everyone from jet propulsion to sheet metal had a role in BUFF Smoke and all should be saluted for their hard work and effort."

The competition wrapped up July 29 at Hoban Hall with an award ceremony. Col. Michael Moeller, 2d BW commander, Col. Roderick Gillis, 2d Operations Group commander, and Col. Bret Klassen, 2d Maintenance Group commander, handed out more than 70 awards.

Colonel Moeller praised the hard work and dedication of all the people involved.

"We do this for one reason only; we do this to hone our combat edge," Colonel Moeller said. "There are no losers here; everyone did an absolutely tremendous job. It was so much fun to watch folks out there stepping up, stepping off, fixin' and flyin' jets, worrying about every little thing they did because they wanted to make sure everything they did was the best and that's what it's all about."

The following awards were presented for BUFF Smoke:

1 Best takeoff — 1st Lt. Kent Mickelson, 96th Bomb Squadron; best landing — Maj. Christopher Causey, 20th BS; best timing — 1st Lt. Edward Nichols, 20th BS; best bomb — Capt. Peter Terrebonne, 2d Operations Support Squadron; best electronic countermeasures — 2d Lt. Mata Cain, 11th BS; and

best crew — 2d OSS, Lt. Cols. William Weaver and Glenn Carlson, Maj. James Lobash and Capts. Peter Terrebonne and Greg Bell.

- Outstanding performance awards — 11th BS, Master Sgt. Douglas Crump; 20th BS, Master Sgt. Carl King; and 96th BS, Master Sgt. Rogers Trahan.

- Dedicated crew chiefs who stood out were: 11th BS, Staff Sgts. Justin Canada, Brandy Bills and Peter Sporte; 20th BS, Staff Sgt. Michael Holloway and Airmen 1st Class Jeremy Wetzels and Sebastian Lewis; and 96th BS, Senior Airmen Troy Hartman and Brent Glover and Airman 1st Class Joseph Richard.

- Best maintenance launch teams from their respective AMU's are: 11th BS, Staff Sgt. Mark Bedolla and Senior Airman Joshua Wortley; 20th BS, Senior Airmen Matthew Dunn and Jeremiah Taylor; and 96th BS, Staff Sgt. Jack Thomas and Senior Airman Stephen Valard.

- Weapons load teams with the best performances from each AMU were: 11th BS, Staff Sgt. Blain Evans, Senior Airman Jason Pachon and Airmen 1st Class John Parker and Randall Human; 20th BS, Staff Sgt. Michael Gayman and Senior Airmen Aubrey Luke, Ryan Kliolz and Tobin Plemons; and 96th BS, Staff Sgts. Scott Campbell and Colby Davis and Senior Airmen Francisco Villa and Derrick Spencer.

- Outstanding recovery team from each AMU are: 11th BS, Staff Sgt. Daniel Leins and Senior Airman Sean Carter; 20th BS, Staff Sgt. Bobby McCorkel and Senior Airman Sean Adkins; and 96th BS, Staff Sgts. Robert Castellano and James Kaweck.

- The repair and reclamation launch maintenance team that outshined the others were: 2d MSX, Tech. Sgt. Justin Hobart, Staff Sgts. John Glass and Mike Glass and Airman 1st Class Byron Landon.

- The fuels specialists team that did that better than the rest were: 2d MXS, Staff Sgts. Chester Hinds and Charles Scott, Senior Airman Fox and Airman 1st Class Derrick McMichael.

- The Aerospace ground equipment team that stood out was: 2d MXS, Staff Sgt. Robert Shipp, Senior Airmen Sarah Hinebaugh and Robin Dow and Airman 1st Class Martin Benjamin.

- More than 60 training munitions were built for BUFF Smoke. The team that had the overall best bomb build performance was: 2d MXS, Staff Sgts. Daniel Escobar and Brian Graybill, Senior Airman Emily Brown and Airman 1st Class Jabari Brooks.

- Line delivery munitions team that stood out above the rest were: 2d MXS, Senior Airmen Patrick Boylan and Tracy Elliot and Airmen 1st Class Patrick Naughton and Edward Costriff.



## News briefs

### Focus posters

The 2d Bomb Wing Public Affairs staff has a limited number of Air Combat Command Focus posters for distribution. The posters reflect ACC Commander Gen. Hal Hornburg's six priorities for the command. The posters come in two different sizes, 37 inches by 15 inches and 16 inches by 20 inches. More information about the Focus program is available at <https://wwwmil.acc.af.mil/FocusAreas>. Contact public affairs at 456-3065 to arrange for pickup.

### Change of command

Lt. Col. Mark Matsushima takes command of the 8th Information Warfare Flight from Lt. Col. Robert Morris during a ceremony Tuesday at the officers club ballroom at 10 a.m.

Colonel Matsushima comes from the 8th Air Force Commanders Action Group where he was 8th AF CAG chief.

Colonel Morris moves to the Pentagon where he will serve as deputy director for Information Operations.

### Quarterly award winners

Quarterly award winners for April through June for Barksdale are as follows: Company grade officer — Capt. Terry Simonton, 2d Communications Squadron; senior NCO — Master Sgt. Terri McDuffie, 2d Logistics Readiness Squadron; NCO — Tech. Sgt. Jennifer Bocconcelli, 2d Bomb Wing; Airman — Senior Airman Jason Minarik, 49th Test and Evaluation Squadron; civilian GS-9 and above — Mr. Alan Williams, 608th Strategic Operations Squadron; civilian GS-8 and below — Ms. Yolanda Burnett, 2d Medical Operations Squadron; and Volunteer — Ms. Melanie Horton, 2d LRS key spouse.

### ALS supervisors

Supervisors of Airman Leadership School students in Class 04-G are invited to the supervisor's orientation Aug. 19 from 8 to 9 a.m. in the ALS auditorium. The orientation is new and will inform supervisors of student expectations and how to enhance the success of a subordinate during and after ALS. Call Master Sgt. Tim Melton at 456-5367 for more information.

### Commander's calls

Two 2d Bomb Wing commander's calls are scheduled in August. The civilian call is scheduled Aug. 20 at 1 p.m. at the officers club. The officers' call is scheduled Aug. 20 at 4 p.m. in the officers club.

### Train safety

Drivers should be cautious and aware of the dangers related to the railroad track which runs perpendicular to the entrance of the Shreveport Gate. This railroad crossing does not have gates to reduce the chance of a collision, but instead relies on drivers' diligence to watch for the warning lights and the tracks.

### Boater's education course

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5951 and the Ladies Auxiliary sponsor a water safety and boater's education course Aug. 28 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the VFW hall. Pre-registration is required. Call 746-7612 or 746-7611 for more information or to register.

### First time supervisors course

A First Time Supervisors Course, "Maintaining and Updating Training Records," is scheduled Aug. 19 from 8 a.m. to noon in the professional development room at Hoban Hall.

The course is geared toward new supervisors or people who would like to practice skills. The course is limited to 20 people and reservations are required by 3 p.m. Aug. 18. Sign up with Master Sgt. Kirby Range or Tech. Sgt. Daniel Hammon by e-mail or call 456-4957.

### BOSC activities social

The Barksdale Officers' Spouse's Club special activities social and open house are scheduled Wednesday from 7 to 9 p.m. The special activities social is hosted at the BOSC board of governor's officers' club ballroom. Hors d'oeuvres and refreshments are provided. Baby-sitting services are not provided for this event. Reservations are not required.

### Hispanic heritage committee

The Hispanic Heritage Committee meets every Wednesday in preparation for this year's Hispanic heritage month observance Sept. 15 through Oct. 15. Meeting time is 2 p.m. in the 2d Logistics Readiness Squadron conference room. Contact Senior Master Sgt. Rudy Ruelas at 456-8479 for more information.

### ALS awards

The following senior airmen are Airman Leadership School award winners for class 04-E, which graduated June 17. Levitow — Walberto Lugo-Casasus, 2d Security Forces Squadron; distinguished graduates — Andrea Swingle, 2d Munitions Squadron; Daniel Kephart, 2d MUNS; Clinton Johnson, 2d Aircraft Maintenance Squadron and Corey Chester, 608th Air Communications Squadron; academic award — Daniel Kephart, 2d MUNS; leadership award — Juan Rodriguez-Estrada, 608th ACOMS.





# Global Power good resource

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cision and a near-precision bomb will be dropped during the same Global Power mission, dropping one on a bomb test site in Utah, and the other in Hawaii.

The other first is that the Air Combat Command director of air and space operations, Maj. Gen. Mike DeCuir, will be along for the ride. Once in Guam, the general will meet with others deployed on the island.

Because of the scope of this mission, the aircrew is flying three dry runs as well as a fourth run today where they will drop a GBU-12.

Global Power missions provide bomber units with practice in over-water navigation, joint operations, foreign country coordination, non-standard mission planning and range activities, international flight planning and physiological aspects of long duration flights.

Capt. Sarah Hall, 11th Bomb Squadron radar navigator, will

be one of the crewmembers on the flight and she describes long flights as a physical challenge.

"Its exhausting, but it is also a lot of fun. You build a crew dynamic and you get to know the crew and their quirks," the captain said.

The Air Force regularly conducts global power training missions in the Pacific region to demonstrate the global capabilities of U.S. forces and to conduct bomber training operations in the Pacific region. These missions are scheduled well in advance and are not a reaction to any real world events. The typical mission profile calls for bomber aircraft to take off from a stateside base, refuel in mid-air off the West Coast and drop live or inert bombs at a bombing range in the Pacific. The aircraft then either return to their stateside base or recover to a base in the Pacific area.

Global Power missions were put on hold after Sept. 11, 2001, so the Air Force could concentrate on the Global War on Terror.

## Hornburg denies Schmidt appeal

LANGLEY AIR FORCE BASE, Va. — Gen. Hal Hornburg, Air Combat Command commander, denied the appeal of an Illinois Air National Guard F-16 pilot on July 29 over the punishment he received for his role in a 2002 friendly-fire incident in Afghanistan.

The appeal asked General Hornburg to set aside the punishment imposed last month by Lt. Gen. Bruce Carlson, 8th Air Force commander.

Major Schmidt was found guilty of derelictions of duty, received a reprimand and will forfeit \$5,672 pay for his involvement in the incident.

Article 15 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice entitles punished members to one appeal to "the next superior authority," so General Hornburg's decision brings nonjudicial punishment proceedings on this issue to a close.

## ACC commander to be inducted into 'Order of the Sword'

BY MASTER SGT.  
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PUBLIC AFFAIRS

LANGLEY AIR FORCE BASE, Va. — Chief master sergeants assigned to Air Combat Command headquarters surprised their boss, Gen. Hal Hornburg, ACC commander, with an invitation — to be inducted into ACC's Order of the Sword — during a meeting at Langley, Air Force Base, Va., July 27.

"The Order of the Sword is the highest honor the enlisted force can bestow on a leader," said Chief Master Sgt. Rodney E. Ellison, ACC command chief. "ACC Airmen are saying 'Here is a great leader.'"

During the meeting, the chiefs ushered in the general's wife, Cynthia, before formally presenting the invitation to the ceremony — the exact date and location of the event have not been determined.

The general was visibly moved by the invitation.

"I can't tell you how truly honored I am by this. I've always believed the enlisted corps is at the very heart of what we do, and I've always held you in the highest esteem," General Hornburg said.

Chief Ellison described the ACC commander as "an Airman's Airman."

"General Hornburg's slogan of 'People First-Mission

Always' is more than just words on a wall; he genuinely believes this and consistently backs up these words with actions," the chief said. "He has proven, time and time again, that he is definitely worthy of receiving the highest recognition the enlisted men and women can bestow upon their leader."

Historical records show the Order of the Sword started unofficially in the 1500s. In 1522, King Gustavus the First of Sweden enjoined the noblemen he commissioned to appoint officers to serve him — accountants, builders, craftsmen, teachers, scribes and others responsible for conducting the ordinary daily affairs of the kingdom.

The system worked so well it was incorporated into the Swedish army as a way to establish and maintain a cohesive, disciplined, well-trained force to protect lives and property in the kingdom. These ancient NCOs would honor their leader and pledge their loyalty by presenting him with a sword.

U.S. Air Force NCOs revised and updated the Order of the Sword ceremony and adopted it in 1967. Since then, the rare honor of receiving it has only been accorded to those special leaders who take great pride and show great concern for the enlisted corps.

"Nothing could honor me more," the general said. "I'm speechless."



# Dentists finish residency

BY AIRMAN 1ST CLASS JUSTASIA LEHMANN  
THE BOMBARDIER

Four dentists of the 2d Dental Squadron completed their residency Tuesday in a ceremony at the officers' club.

Cpts. (Drs.) Thuy Do, Jennifer Hasslen, Nathan Krivitzky and Jakub Pietrowski graduated from the Advanced Education in General Dentistry Program.

"I think we are all excited and ready to move on to our next assignments," Dr. Hasslen said.

After graduation, the doctors will head to new stations. Dr. Do to Dyess Air Force Base, Texas; Dr. Hasslen to Menwith Hill Royal Air Base, United Kingdom; Dr. Krivitzky to Aviano Air Base, Italy, and Dr. Pietrowski stays at Barksdale.

The AEGD residency is a highly competitive one-year, post-doctorate training program for recently graduated dentists. Residents receive advanced training in all the specialties of dentistry from the board-certified specialists stationed at Barksdale.

The dentists participating in the program understand how important it is to themselves and their patients.

"This course prepares us to be better gener-

al dentists so we can take the best care of our patients," Dr. Hasslen said. "With our extra training, we can provide more comprehensive care ourselves for those patients."

Aside from preparing them to be better dentists, the program has other advantages.

"Having more one-on-one than we did in dental school with our instructors was good," Dr. Hasslen said. "This gave us a chance to learn a great deal from the dentists who were staffing us."

According to Col. (Dr.) Brent Gilliland, 2d DS director of the AEGD residency, the Barksdale program has a proud 30-year history with more than 125 alumni. Dentists compete for the limited number of positions and become Air Force officers before they can take part in the residency. This program is one of 11 Air Force AEGD residencies located throughout the country.

"The dental squadron's AEGD residency has a long history of excellence," Dr. Gilliland said. "We honor the graduates of the AEGD class of 2004, and all Air Force members can be confident that each young dentist graduating possesses not only the clinical skills, but also the values and integrity necessary to serve our Air Force family wherever in the world they may go."

# BAC site adds voice

## Site offers feedback, gives another outlet for base members to address concerns

BY AIRMAN 1ST CLASS

JUSTASIA LEHMANN

THE BOMBARDIER

The Barksdale Base Advisory Council unveiled their new Web site Sunday to give the base population another avenue to submit their concerns and issues.

The base advisory council is the focal point for all unit and private organizational representatives to bring issues, concerns, thoughts or ideas to wing leadership. Issues are highlighted and worked on at the meetings the third Wednesday of each month at 2 p.m. in the 2d Bomb Wing conference room.

"Our goal is to improve processes and morale on Barksdale," said Tech. Sgt. Monica Ray, 2d Logistics Readiness Squadron assistant NCO in

charge of storage and BAC manager.

"The initial idea of creating such a Web site came from Mr. James Dich, 2d Services Squadron fitness center director, at the meeting in June," Sergeant Ray said.

The Web site was created by Staff Sgt. Troy McGee, 2d Communications Squadron network services assistant crew commander, but Sergeant Ray will update and put the meeting minutes on the Web site.

"The section labeled 'Your Voice' allows any member of Barksdale the ability to fill out a form and give any questions or concerns they may have about the base," Sergeant McGee said.

"The Web site allows the BAC manager to take those inputs to the top wing leadership," Sergeant Ray said. "It is important for our base population to have a voice through their unit and organizational representatives and to have an avenue through the Web site, especially for shift workers to be able to submit issues and concerns."

Barksdale members can access the BAC's Web site at <https://w3.barksdale.af.mil/bac/index.html>.



Staff Sgt. Jeremy Cross/1st CCS

**Good eats:** Staff Sgt. Derrick Richard with Barksdale's 2nd Services Squadron prepares breakfast for the men and women of New Horizons at Camp Stephenson in the Republic of Guyana. New Horizons 2004-Guyana

is a joint service training exercise held in Guyana, South America and co-sponsored by the U.S. Southern Command in Miami, Fla., and the Guyana Defense Force.



# 20th Bomb Squadron aides Navy in mine-laying exercise

BY 1ST LT ROBERT FORE  
20TH BOMB SQUADRON

The 20th Bomb Squadron displayed the flexibility of the BUFF's weapons platform as they dropped mines, not bombs, while participating in a Naval Mine Exercise July 20-22.

Four of the Mighty Deuce's bombers assisted in a Naval mine-laying operation using two different kinds of mines. Two crews each laid 10 MK-65 mines and two other crews each laid 10 MK-63 mines for a total payload drop of 30,000 pounds. The exercise was an in-water reliability test of Navy mines.

"Working with other branches of the service is always a pleasure," said Capt. Chris Chandler, one of the 20th Bomb Squadron's radar navigators that flew the MINEX. "It's nice to see a culmination of training that results in a successful live weapons test. We're all grateful the Navy gave us this opportunity to strengthen this partnership and test this weapon system.

"Many people don't realize this, but one of the many tasks the B-52 fulfills is

laying mines for the Navy," he said. "Mines are used in many fashions, usually to place a chokehold on an enemy's harbors — not allowing any naval traffic in or out."

The Navy uses the B-52 for 40 percent of its mine employments. The Navy also uses the F-18, P-3 and submarines.

"The B-52 is attractive for mines because of the amount of payload it can carry and its response time — basically, it carries more than an F-18 and is faster than a submarine," Captain Chandler said. "In fact, the BUFF has more than double the capacity of any Navy aircraft."

"Actually, planning and seeing a mine-field progress from start to finish was great training for all the crews," said 1st Lt. Brett Plummer, a navigator with the 11th Bomb Squadron. "You can only read and simulate so much — but the real thing is where learning really takes place."

Mines are one more reason the B-52 is such a flexible weapons platform, and one more reason the B-52 is one of our nation's greatest assets.

## MEET THE NEW COMMANDER

**Unit:** 49th Test and Evaluation Squadron

**Family:** Wife, Tamala; son, Raynor, 11; and daughter, Shelby, 7

**Past assignments:** Castle Air Force Base, Calif.; Langley AFB, Va.; and Maxwell AFB, Ala.

**Education:** Bachelor's degree in aerospace engineering from Pennsylvania State University and master's degree in aeronautical science from Embry Riddle Aero University

**Off-duty time is for:** Family

**Hobbies:** Collecting and refurbishing military vehicles and home remodeling

**What challenges do you see as a commander?** Accomplishing an extremely aggressive test schedule with 30 percent manning in engineers, 50 percent manning in radar navigators and potential commercialization of our 15-person instrumentation shop



**Lt. Col. Barry Sebring**

**Goals:** One hundred percent safe flying operation, meeting Air Combat Command weapons and aircraft testing requirements and securing good assignments for our unit staff

**Best advice I've ever received:** If you take care of them, long after the Air Force is in a shadow box or hanging on the wall, your family will still be there.





# Take pride, keep base clean

Families encouraged to care for base facilities during transition season

BY 1ST LT. CYRENA WOOSTER  
2D BOMB WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Teary-eyed families are leaving to start their journey to a new base and incoming families are eagerly settling in at Barksdale. Children are gearing up to start the school year and summer is coming to an end. It's that transition time of year again.

In the daily rush of activities it's important to remember to maintain pride in the base community by continuing efforts to keep the base clean and well-maintained. To that end, 2d Civil Engineering Squadron members are holding a base-wide clean-up Monday through Wednesday. During this period, base members are strongly encouraged to clean their facilities and ensure they are free of all trash.

In addition, people are encouraged to call the 2d CES Customer Service section at 456-3071 to request the removal of downed tree limbs remaining from recent storms. Storm debris must be consolidated to one street-side location by the individual prior to being picked up.

While base members work hard to keep the base clean, it's important to re-

alize the importance of each individual's effort.

"It is everybody's responsibility to help maintain the grounds and facilities where they work," said Senior Master Sgt. John Milford, 2d CES Heavy Repair chief. "This projects a positive first, and hopefully lasting, impression of Barksdale to all those who visit. If every person on base took it upon themselves to make a conscious effort to clean up as they go, massive clean-up details would probably become less frequent. One rule of thumb for civil engineer folks is: If it's not indigenous, it goes."

"This wing-wide cleaning effort will ensure that we can all be proud of the base where we live and work, and it will give us an opportunity to demonstrate our pride for Barksdale," he said.

"In a time of stringent budgets, it is important that we pay special attention to maintaining our facilities. It also shows the great pride and extreme professionalism of every employee, both military and civilian, on Barksdale," Sergeant Milford said. "The biggest challenge to keeping Barksdale clean is the operations tempo of every unit on this installation. With people focusing on the war fighting mission continually, there is a tendency to overlook some of the less glamorous duties."

Any questions concerning the base-wide cleaning effort should be directed to Master Sgt. John Conlon at 456-4353.



Airman Tabitha Winger/2d CS

**Clowning around:** Alyssa, daughter of Staff Sgt. Andy and Angela Burnett, 608th Air Communications Squadron, balances with the help of a clown at the Ringling Brother and Barnum and Bailey Circus Fit Program July 30. About 30 children at the Barksdale Youth Center participated in the program. The program taught children fun physical activities and rewarded them for participating. The circus begins today with shows scheduled throughout the weekend.

# Tips to remember for Tricare during travel

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This time of year many families take vacations or transfer to another assignment. For whatever reason, Tricare can help with health care needs while people are on the road.

"Routine care is always expected to be with the beneficiaries primary care manager and not when traveling," said Mr. Ed Merritt, the 2d Medical Group Tricare beneficiary counselor and assistance coordinator.

For urgent but non-emergency conditions while traveling, Tricare Prime beneficiaries must receive authorization from a health care finder before receiving care. If prior authorization for urgent care is not received, members are billed under the point-of-service option. This means members pay a higher cost-share and deductible. Tricare Standard and Extra beneficiaries do not need prior authorization but must pay any applicable cost-shares and deductibles. Routine care outside of a member's normal service area is not a Tricare benefit.

An emergency is a medical or psychiatric condition that would lead an average, non-medical person to believe that lack of immediate medical attention would threaten life, limb or sight.

"The newer definition of an average non-medical person is another enhancement from the Tricare management activity for the Prime Plan, which before used a more restrictive definition for obtaining emergency care," Mr. Merritt said. "Emergency care is also appropriate to relieve severe pain or suffering. Members confronted with an emergency while traveling should call 911 or seek immediate care at the nearest hospital emergency room."

Emergency services do not require preauthorization. If the emergency results in a hospital admission and the member is a Tricare Prime beneficiary, the member or a family

member must contact the health care finder (HCF), available 24-hours, seven days a week within 24 hours, or as soon as medically possible. Prime beneficiaries should follow up with their primary care manager after any emergency care.

When traveling within member's region:

- Pay only the copayment by using a network pharmacy

When traveling outside member's Tricare region:

- Members will need to pay the entire amount and seek reimbursement from Tricare

- Members can obtain a claim form, DD Form 2642, Patient Request for Medical Payment, by visiting [www.tricare.osd.mil/claims](http://www.tricare.osd.mil/claims)

People can also use the Tricare mail order pharmacy before they leave home. Through the TMOP, members can receive up to a 90-day supply of most medications. For additional information, call TMOP at 1-866-363-8667, or visit [www.express-scripts.com](http://www.express-scripts.com).

Here are some travel tips:

- Always carry member's military identification card
- HCF is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week at 1-800-406-2832. Tricare-eligible beneficiaries can call HCF for assistance in locating Tricare approved providers in the area.

- Prime beneficiaries should keep their PCM's telephone number with them should follow-up care be necessary (member's Tricare Prime ID card has space provided to

## DOD begins Tricare retail pharmacy

STAFF REPORTS

The new Tricare Retail Pharmacy contract is in effect for Tricare beneficiaries located in the 50 United States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands and Guam. The contract has about 53,000 civilian pharmacies in the network.

Tricare beneficiaries who used a retail pharmacy in 2003 will receive a pharmacy identification card, a Tricare Retail Pharmacy benefit guide and a letter listing the 12 network pharmacies closest to their home. To locate a network pharmacy, beneficiaries may use the Tricare pharmacy locator service available online at [www.express-scripts.com/TRICARE](http://www.express-scripts.com/TRICARE), or they may call 1-866-363-8779. Read the Air Force Print News story at: [www.af.mil/news/story.asp?storyID=123007853](http://www.af.mil/news/story.asp?storyID=123007853) for more information.

write in member's PCM name and phone number).

- Please remember the Tricare Service Center should be one of the first places members visit at their new assignment for enrollment," said Capt. Randell Lambert, 2d Medical Support Squadron business operations and beneficiary support flight commander. "Remember to keep the Region 6 phone number, 1-800-406-2832, handy as member's travel in case member's need to get in touch with anyone about health care en route to new assignment."

Contact a customer service representative at 1-800-406-2832 or visit [www.hnfs.net](http://www.hnfs.net) for more information. Call Mr. Merritt at 456-6567 or Ms. Denise Sinz at 456-6056 for more information. (Courtesy of Health Net Federal Services)





## Financing the fight

## 2d Comptroller Squadron takes care of Airman, base

BY AIRMAN BRANDON KUSEK

THE BOMBARDIER

An Airman has just returned from the desert, he goes to his bank and finds an extra \$5,000 dollars there. Instead of doing the right thing and taking action to get it back in its right spot, he goes and purchases a new car. Three months later the Airman doesn't receive a paycheck, when he goes to the finance office he's told that an extra \$5,000 dollars was paid to him in error and the government is just taking back what is theirs.

This is where the 2d Comptroller Squadron's finance office comes in, to help base members with their pay so they can get the mission accomplished without worrying about their paycheck.

"People need to be aware of their pay, if they have a question don't be afraid to ask us at the finance office. That's what we're here for," said Airman 1st Class Alexander Milton, special actions liaison with the 2d Comptroller Squadron.

Most people believe finance is only the place to file travel vouchers and do an allotment. There's more to finance than just customer service.

"Many people think of the comptroller squadron as simply 'finance,' but we're much more than that," said Lt. Col. Jim Sisson, 2d Comptroller Squadron commander. "In addition to finance, we have the financial analysis flight (budget) and the nonappropriated fund financial analyst office. Although they are separate, it takes all the spokes working together to accomplish the mission — to provide fi-

nancial services to every member at Barksdale, to provide budgetary advice to senior leadership, and to provide non-appropriated funds oversight for all services activities."

The financial services office provides accounting and financial services to all Barksdale members, tenant units and geographically separated units. They ensure accurate and timely military, civilian and travel pay for 9,000 active duty, reserve and civilian personnel.

The FSO disburses more than \$8 million annually and certifies more than \$200 million in funding documents in support of the wing.

The most visible section of finance is the customer service desk, where most people get their finance needs met.

"Customer service handles the majority of financial needs a base member has," Airman Milton said.

The customer service office deals with direct deposits, allotments of pay, separations, retirements and problems with their pay. A member who is permanently changing station can stop or start entitlements when arriving or departing the installation. A member going TDY gets a travel voucher done at the finance office. The office is also the main point of contact for My-Pay issues.

"Our NCOs and Airmen show that a team of involved, dedicated and determined individuals can make a difference. I appreciate all they do," said 2d Lt. Jamie Smith, financial services officer.

"Our main goal at the front desk is to make financial services available to base

members so they spend more time on their jobs and less time at the customer service desk," Colonel Sisson said.

"Being ranked number one in Air Combat Command's large base category for the first quarter of 2004 is a testament to their hard work and dedication," Lieutenant Smith said.

Many base members require the finance office to assist in pay problems, but offices require the assistance of the budgeting department to supply them with the money needed to purchase the tools required to get the job done.

The financial analysis (budgeting) division is an office most people on base do not work with, but everyone depends on.

At the beginning of the year the base is given a certain amount of money and it's the budgeting office's job to make sure the right amount goes to the different squadrons on base.

"We get all the money spent on what it needs to be spent on," said Mr. Robert Atkins, budget officer.

"Many times, it's the little things our folks and the resource advisors do that impact the wing from a monetary perspective," Colonel Sisson said. "If we don't take advantage of every opportunity, and that even means processing receiving reports and invoices in a timely and accurate manner, that's dollars lost for the wing. If this wing does not have the resources to fly, fix and support bomber operations, the mission won't happen."

Mr. Atkins said that the end of year is a busy time for the budget office also because they need to make sure all the money that was given to Barksdale is spent before the year end to make sure the base receives sufficient funds for the upcoming year.

There is another part of finance that sometimes goes overlooked, the nonappropriated funds office.

Nonappropriated funds works with the services organizations such as the golf course, officers and enlisted clubs, bowling alleys, fitness center, equipment rental, veterinary of-

fice, information tickets and travel, trap and skeet, the family camp, the youth center and annex and the archery club.

"We do all overviews of NAF activities to make sure they have enough funds to keep going because, they work with the bases' recreational activities that keep the morale of base members up," said Ms. Brenda Eason, NAF analyst. "The office does many things such as following up on different audits, and surprise cash counts."

A surprise cash count is where someone walks in out of the blue and accounts for what funds are or are not there.

The end of the fiscal year is the most difficult time for the finance office. It's an eight- to 10-week process beginning in mid-July and ends Oct. 1. The

comptroller squadron works with everyone on base to wrap up everything financially to make sure the wing has spent every dollar it was given and spent it on the most critical requirements.

And this doesn't just happen, it requires close coordination with contracting and the numerous RAs across the wing, requiring attention to detail and putting to daily practice the "T" and "W" in the wing's vector.

This time of the year is especially difficult because of manpower.

"If anyone works overtime it usually comes during year-end; because, although we have to get all the base's finances in order by midnight Oct. 1, we still need to perform our main mission, helping customers at the front desk," the colonel said. "When the last week of the fiscal year rolls around we want to be in control of our resources."

While finance takes care of their resources the office encourages base members to take care of their own.

When asked what the number one priority for finance is, Airman Milton said it is people making sure they are getting paid the correct amount.

"If a member gets a large sum of money in their account they should call our office to verify it so it doesn't come back to haunt them later down the road. If people pay attention to their leave and earnings statement it won't happen," Airman Milton said.

For example, Airman Milton said if he receives a \$2,500 paycheck he's going to ask questions about it because whether he says something or not. If the amount he is getting paid is incorrect, the government is going to get its money back one way or another.

"We try to make members aware of their pay if someone is getting paid too much or too little they should be aware of it, come to us and we'll take care of it," Airman Milton said.



Photos by Airman Brandon Kusek/The Bombardier

Active duty members are not the only people that look to the 2d Comptroller Squadron's customer service desk for help. Airman 1st Class Melissa Potwora who is a customer service technician with the 2d CPTS helps a retiree with some paperwork Tuesday afternoon. The customer service desk is the part of the office most people interact with.





## Services events

For more information about 2d Services Squadron events, check their Web site at [www.barksdaleservices.com](http://www.barksdaleservices.com)

### Bingo jackpot

The bingo jackpot for Thursday was \$1,300 and growing. Early bird bingo and the buffet begin at 5:30 p.m. The buffet is \$5.50 for nonmembers and \$4.50 for club members. Jackpot bingo starts at 6:30 p.m. and all ranks are welcome. Members receive \$5 off a multi-card bingo pack.

### Monte Carlo night

Monte Carlo night is Aug. 13 at the enlisted club and features a card game and two-person dominoes tournament. The top eight card game finishers and the top two dominoes teams receive gift certificates with winnings valued at \$400. Free snacks and drink specials are also available.

The tournament is open to enlisted club members, their family and guests. Registration and a rules meeting starts at 6:30 p.m. and play begins at 7 p.m. The card tournament is limited to the first 64 players and the dominoes tournament is limited to the first 16 teams. Spectators are welcome and for entertainment, a disk jockey will be playing in the main lounge.

### Two-for-one steaks

Enjoy two-for-one steaks Aug. 18. Guests select the steak of their choosing at regular price and get a second steak of equal or lesser value for free. Steaks are hand-cut and grilled to guests' request. Entrees are served with a baked potato and vegetable. Desserts are also available.

All ranks are welcome at the officers club for evening dining. The club is open for dinner Wednesdays through Saturdays from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Walk-ins are welcome.

### Family buffet night

Family buffet night is Wednesday at the officers club at 5:30 p.m. Children can watch videos and win prizes. Adults can dine on rosemary baked chicken, roast beef, southern fried catfish, mashed potatoes and gravy, steamed rice, green bean almondine, a vegetable medley and hot cobbler for \$6.95. The children's buffet features chicken nuggets, mini corn dogs, pizza, macaroni and cheese, mashed potatoes, swirl pudding, jello and cookies for \$3.50. Ages 5 and under eat for \$2.95.

### Prime rib Saturday

Enjoy slow-roasted prime rib at the officers club every Saturday from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Petite cut is \$11.95, regular cut is \$13.95 and king cut is \$15.95. Meals are served with au jus and horseradish and choice of rice pilaf or potatoes, vegetable of the day and a glass of house wine. Reservations are encouraged but walk-ins are accepted. All ranks are welcome. Call 456-4926 for

reservations or more information.

### New childcare rates

Child development center officials announce the annual 5 percent fee increase effective Sept. 1. Child-care fees are set to meet 50 percent of the operating expenses, such as teacher salaries and consumable supplies, and are based on total family income. The other 50 percent of the operating costs are paid with appropriated funds.

APF funds help defray the cost of the administrative staff, 5 percent of teachers' salary and all other supplies, food and equipment. Since the average cost to operate a child development center is approximately \$300 per week per child, all families receive an Air Force subsidy. As with any subsidized program, individuals with lower income receive more subsidy than those with a higher income.

Below are the Barksdale Child Development Center child-care fees for the 2004/2005 school year as set by the Department of Defense. Weekly and semi-monthly fees are listed after each family income level: Category I, under \$28,000 is \$60 and \$130, respectively; Category II, \$28,001 to \$34,000 is \$71 and \$154, respectively; Category III, \$34,001 to \$44,000 is \$85 and \$184, respectively; Category IV, \$44,001 to \$55,000 is \$97 and \$210, respectively; Category V, \$55,001 to \$70,000 is \$112 and \$242.50, respectively; and Category VI, \$70,001 and over is \$128 and \$277.50, respectively. Call 456-4139 for more information.

### Before and after program

Registration for the before and after school program is open through Aug. 13 from 9 to 11 a.m. Transportation is provided to Bellaire, Waller, Curtis, Sun City and Kerr schools. The hours are Monday through Friday from 6:15-7:50 a.m. and 2-6 p.m. All youth enrolled receive a breakfast and after school snack. Fees are based on family income. Parents must bring shot records and proof of total family income to register. The program is open to children 5 through 12 years old. Students who are 5 years old and entering kindergarten may also participate in the school age program. Call Ms. Cora Davis at 456-3448 for more information.

### Back-to-School orientation

The annual back-to-school orientation for parents is Aug. 13 from 5 to 6:30 p.m. at the youth center. This program is designed to be informational for new and returning parents of school age children in Bossier Parish schools. Representatives from the Parish School Board and the transportation director will answer questions, refreshments will be served and school fashions will be presented.

# Cajun Warrior Attitude

Catch it!

**Family:** Mother, Jean; father, Robert; and sister, Jennifer

**Hometown:** New York City

**Unit:** 2d Comptroller Squadron

**Job title:** Travel pay technician

**Job description:** Process TDY vouchers and military pay documents

**Most rewarding job aspect:** Knowing people are getting paid in a timely manner

**Goals:** Become a commissioned officer

**Hobbies:** Playing bass, reading and watching sports

**What motivates my winning attitude:** Fear of failure

**Favorite TV show:** The Simpsons

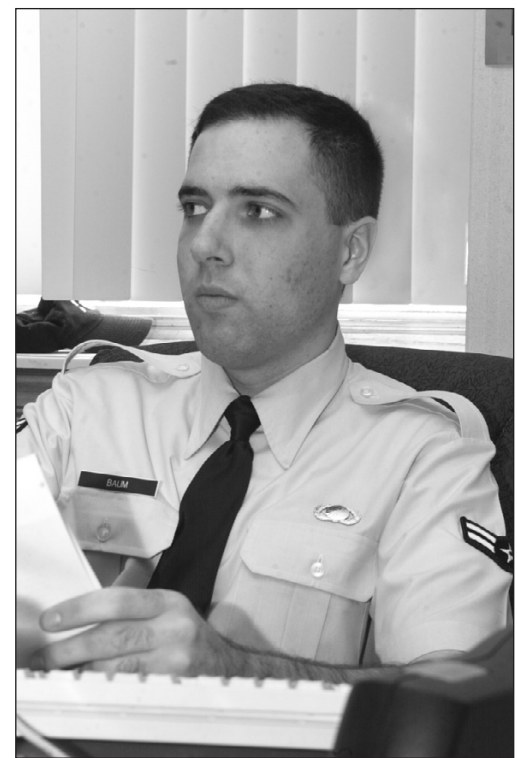
**Favorite movie:** The Good, The Bad and The Ugly

**Favorite book:** Johnny Got His Gun by Dalton Trumbo

**Pet peeve:** People who don't signal when turning while driving

**I'm proudest of:** The day I graduated from basic training

**Person I admire the most:** Zakk Wylde



Airman Brandon Kusek/The Bombardier

## Airman 1st Class Marc Baum

**My best asset is:** My willingness to do a good job

**If I could change anything about Barksdale it would be:** More sidewalks

**The most influential person for you in the Air Force and why:** Tech. Sgt. Terry Barnes, because of his professionalism and his willingness to help his troops

## 2d Comptroller Squadron at a glance

Squadron commander:  
**Lt. Col. James Sisson**  
First sergeant:  
**Master Sgt. Ethel Butler**

2d Mission Support Group commander:  
**Col. Colleen Duffy**  
Division motto:  
**"Financing the Fight"**



2d Services & Harrah's Louisiana Downs present ...

# Fall Festival Car Show & Bike Rally

Oct. 16, 2004 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Live Music Food Drink  
Crafts Vendors Carnival

**Car or Motorcycle Show Entry Fee \$15**  
Includes goody bag with Free event T-Shirt

**Craft Booths 10'X10" : \$39**

Call 456-3140 to sign up or register online at

[www.barksdaleservices.com](http://www.barksdaleservices.com)

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## At the movies

For recorded show times and movies, call 456-3666 or visit the Army and Air Force Exchange Services Web site at [www.aafes.com](http://www.aafes.com). Movies are subject to change without notice.

Admission: Adults \$3, children \$1.50 (Information and photos courtesy of [www.movieweb.com](http://www.movieweb.com))



### “White Chicks”

**Rated:** PG-13

**Playing:** Today at 7 p.m.

**Run time:** 105 minutes

**Cast:** Shawn Wayans, Marlon Wayans

**Synopsis:** Two FBI agents try to get back into their boss's good graces by taking on a job guarding the Wilton sisters, two New York City hotel heiresses, from a serial kidnapper. They fail, and the two women are abducted. The agents then go under cover, dressing up as the titular “white chicks” to solve the crime and rescue the victims.

### “The Notebook”

**Rated:** PG-13

**Playing:** Saturday at 7 p.m.

**Run time:** 121 minutes

**Cast:** James Garner, Gena Rowlands

**Synopsis:** As a man reads from a faded notebook to the woman he regularly visits, his words bring to life the story of a couple who are separated by World War II, then passionately reunited seven years later after they have taken different paths. Though her memory has faded, his words give her the chance to relive her turbulent youth and the unforgettable love they shared.



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## Chapel information

Chapel One: 275 Barksdale Blvd., East  
Chapel Two: 724 Douhet Drive, 456-2111

### Catholic services

Confession, Chapel Two, Saturday, 4:30 p.m.

Mass, Chapel Two, Saturday, 5:30 p.m.

Mass, Chapel Two, Sunday, 9 a.m.

Confraternity Christian doctrine, Chapel Two, Sunday, 10 a.m.

Mass, Chapel One, Sunday, 11:30 a.m.

### Protestant services

Liturgical communion service, Chapel One, Sunday, 9 a.m.

Community worship service, Chapel Two, Sunday, 10:30 a.m.

Inspirational gospel worship service, Chapel Two, Sunday, noon

Contemporary praise service, Chapel Two, Sunday, 6 p.m.

Family night, Chapel Two, Wednesdays, 6:30-8 p.m.

### Noon mass

Noon Catholic Mass at Chapel One is cancelled until further notice.

### Chapel bell choir

Anyone interested in joining the chapel bell choir may attend practices Tuesdays at 6 p.m. at the Chapel Two annex.

## Red River Inn dining facility

Flight Kitchen, 456-4769

Red River Inn, 456-8367

Items subject to change

### Today

Lunch — Beef and corn pie, seafood newburg, veal steaks

Dinner — Corned beef, pot roast, chicken

### Saturday

Brunch — Creole shrimp, baked chicken, meatballs

Supper — Goulash, baked fish, barbecue chicken

### Sunday

Brunch — Spareribs, chicken breast, oven-fried fish

Supper — Steak, beef stir-fry, turkey nuggets

### Monday

Lunch — Pot roast, baked stuffed fish, roast pork

Dinner — Chili mac, beef cannelloni, fried chicken

### Tuesday

Lunch — Veal parmesan, teriyaki chicken, salmon

Dinner — Meat loaf, country chicken, turkey

### Wednesday

Lunch — Barbecue ham, turkey and noodles, beef

Dinner — Pork chops, barbecue spareribs, chicken

### Thursday

Lunch — Cabbage rolls, fried catfish, baked chicken

Dinner — Cornish hens, roast pork, jaegerschnitzel

### Aug. 6

Lunch — Swiss steak, baked chicken, stuffed peppers

Dinner — Italian sausage, lasagna, spaghetti

## Family Support Center

Located on the corner of Kenney Avenue  
and Curtiss Road, 456-8400.

Reservations required for all events.

### Special event

A pool party for families of deployed members is scheduled Tuesday from 6 to 8 p.m. Free school supplies will be available for students. Call the Family Support Center at 456-8400 for more information.

### Moving off-base seminar

A moving off-base seminar is scheduled Wednesday from 8 to 9:30 a.m. in the Family Support Center. The workshop provides information on how to prepare for apartment living, roommate selection, budgeting, saving, managing and reducing debt. Individual budget assessments are conducted during the workshop as well as training on debt reduction. Reservations are required. Call 456-8400 for more information or to reserve a seat.

### Resume workshop

A resume workshop is scheduled Wednesday at 8 a.m. The workshop provides valuable information including what employers look for in a resume, what information to include, optional information, inappropriate information and cover letter use and content. Call 456-8400 for more information or to register.

### Cancer support group

A cancer support group meeting is scheduled Thursday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Join others in sharing experiences, exchanging information and coping with the emotional side of cancer. Guest speakers are often included and a light lunch is served. Call 456-8400 for more information.

### Single parents group

A single parents group meeting is scheduled Wednesday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Make some new friends and share parenting experiences with other single parents. This exchange of resources and information can lead to more positive and successful parenting. A light lunch will be served. Call 456-8400 for more information.

### Personal, family readiness briefing

The Family Support Center's Readiness Team provides information and support Thursday and Aug. 19 and 26 at 2 p.m. to prepare for separation. Visit the center for this briefing to prepare active duty and family members for separation due to deployment or TDY. Spouses or significant others are encouraged to attend. Call 456-8400 for more information.

### Sponsor training

Sponsor training is scheduled Thursday from 10 to 11 a.m. If an individual has been selected as a sponsor and would like to be the best they can be, they can join the Relocation Assistance Team for this training. Learn how to make contact, provide pertinent information, respond to the newcomers needs and leave a good first impression of the area, the installation and the local community. Call 456-8400 for more information.

### Parents, tots playgroup

This play group is for both parents and young children. Pre-school children improve their social skills while their parents improve their knowledge of child development and parenting skills as they share with each other. This playgroup is offered Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at the Chapel Two annex. Call 456-8400 for more information.



Sports shorts

ACC golf Championships

The Air Combat Command golf championship is Aug. 14 and 15 at Barksdale’s Fox Run Golf Course. Flights are open to all authorized members with a verifiable handicap. The winner from Barksdale will attend the ACC finals at Davis-Montham Air Force Base, Ariz., Sept. 22-24. Entry fee is \$10 and normal cart and green fees apply. Call 456-2263 for more information or to sign up.

Sports officials needed

Sports officials are needed for the the upcoming youth soccer and intramural flag football seasons. Experience is beneficial but not required. Call Tech. Sgt. Joseph Moore at 456-1745 or 310-780-8591 for more information or to sign up.

Quarterback, receiver challenge

The Barksdale Sports and Fitness Center hosts the quarterback and receiver challenge Aug. 31. First and second place winners receive awards. Call 456-4135 for more information.

Martial arts classes

Tae kwon do and iai jujitsu are available Monday through Thursdays from 5 to 6 p.m. The cost is \$45 a month and family rates are available. Call 456-3448 for more about the classes.

Dance classes

Ballet, jazz and modern dance classes are of-fered at the youth center for children ages 3 to 18. Registration is open now and costs \$45 a month. Call 456-3448 or visit the youth center for more information or to sign up.

Varsity softball

Barksdale’s varsity softball team plays Tuesday and Thursday nights in Bossier City’s Tinsley Park. The team will also compete in upcoming tournaments including the Hope Watermelon Classic in Hope, Ark., Aug. 14 and 15, and the United States Slo-Pitch Softball Association’s Military World Series in Dallas, Aug. 19 through 23.

The following schedule is for the Bossier City league: Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. field 2; Thursday, 7:30 p.m. field 4; Aug. 17, 8:30 p.m. field 5; Aug. 19, 7:30 p.m. field 4; Aug. 24, 7:30 p.m., field 2; Aug. 26, 8:30 p.m., field 2; Aug. 31, 8:30 p.m. field 4; and Sept. 2, 7:30 p.m. field 2.



Airman Brandon Kusek/The Bombardier

*It’s in the hole:* In sports, practice makes perfect and golf is no dif-ferent. Patrick Hannon, son of Maj. Larry Hannon from the 49th Test and Evaluation Squadron, chips onto the No. 4 green at Barksdale’s Fox Run Golf Course. Hannon was playing a practice round Tuesday night to hone his skills.

Scoreboard

Softball

American League

	W	L
MUNS	8	1
CES	7	2
MDG	7	2
SFS	7	2
MXS #1	5	4
AMXS #1	4	5
8th AF	4	5
20th BS	3	6
LRS	1	8

National League

	W	L
CS	9	0
MOS	7	2
49th TES	7	2
MXS #2	6	3
MXS #3	5	5
OWS	5	4
AMXS #2	4	5

Standings as of July 26

Golf

American League

	W	L
CS	7	2
MUNS #1	6	2
CES	6	3
8th AF	6	3
SFS	5	3
MXS #1	5	3
MDG	4	5
917th #1	4	6
11th BS	3	4
LRS	2	6

National League

	W	L
SVS	7	0
MSS	7	1
AMXS	6	2
917th #2	4	3
49th TES	4	4
CPTS	4	4
OSS	3	4
MOS	2	5
MUNS #2	2	6
MXS #2	0	8

Standings as of Tuesday